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Ohio River Trail Council

Joining communities through fitness, recreation, heritage and transportation networks.

Press Release

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Monaca, Pa. (July 13, 2010) The Ohio River Trail Council (ORTC) has been awarded a \$10,000 Port of Pittsburgh Commission (PPC) grant for the Ohio River Water Trail Project. The mission of the Port of Pittsburgh Commission is to "promote the commercial use and development of the waterway-intermodal transportation system and to integrate that system into the economic, recreational, environmental and intermodal future of the residents and industries of Southwestern Pennsylvania."

The Ohio River Trail Council (ORTC) is a non-profit volunteer-led corporation that works to bring individuals, communities, businesses, recreational users and all levels of government together to promote and protect a continuous corridor of natural and cultural resources along the Ohio River and its tributaries. The ORTC's goal is to honor our past and build our future by providing recreation opportunities, heritage development, environmental stewardship, safe transportation networks and economic stimulus to residents of Allegheny and Beaver counties.

The Ohio River Trail Council mission includes the development of the Ohio River Water Trail. Water trails are primarily routes suitable for canoes and kayaks. The Ohio River Water Trail will provide safe access to our waterways while also providing connections to our history, ecology, geology, heritage and wildlife. The PPC grant will provide canoe, kayak and rowing access to the Ohio River, Beaver River and the Little Beaver Creek in the Ohio River Trail Corridor communities of Bridgewater, Monaca, Ohioville and Rochester, Pa. The grant will support the design, construction and the installation of four kayak/canoe launch sites with storage racks and other amenities including signage, picnic tables, benches and bike racks.

For additional information regarding the mission of the ORTC, please visit www.ohiorivertrail.org.

